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In re Accompanying Continuation Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

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APPLICANTS: M. JURS et al

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For: DEVICE AND METHOD RESPECTIVELY FOR PROCESSING FLESH

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.